On cattle

Watch out for lice

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

If this January is typical of others you can expect the lice population on cattle to literally explode in the next 60 days. Now is the time to treat for this pesky parasite that robs cattle of pounds, requiring additional feed.

There are three species of lice that can be found on cattle. Short-nose cattle louse, long-nose louse and little Blue louse. All of these are sucking insects. The latter, little Blue Louse, is the most prolific and is also the smallest. It appears that some cattle are carriers of lice and are sources of infestation for other animals in the herd.

Control can be obtained by dusting, spraying, dipping and pour-ons. Most producers will find the pour-on easier to apply. You can expect 95-100% control when properly applied. There are two pour-ons recommended for beef cattle--Lysoff and Duraban 44; the systemic grubicides may be used if all normal precautions are observed to avoid possible side effects. One treatment with Dursban 44 may get you through the winter. If Lysoff is used, two applications 10 days apart are required.

Treat now and observe cattle in late February--early March to determine if another treatment is required.

Dairymen may want to consider an insecticide such as Ciodrin or Rabon for spraying lactating cattle for control of cattle lice.

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Homeowners need to care for potted plants. Knock the root ball and soil from the pot. Take a sharp knife and cut off an inch or so of the root mass. Repot in the same size or larger pot, using a mixture of one part of sand, peat and loam. Some long lasting (slow release) nitrogen will feed the plant through winter and stimulate root growth in the new potting mix.

Newly planted evergreens or sensitive plants will benefit from the use of an anti-desiccant (wilt-proof is one of several on the market). Spray plants twice during the winter.

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If you were fortunate to have had a live Christmas tree, proper care will insure a quality plant in the years ahead.

It should be planted if the ground is not frozen or held in a protected area (shade and no wind) until spring. Keep the plant ball moist until planting. A weekly watering should suffice.

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In 1922 the Fairfax County Cow Testing Association Report carried the following item and it is valid now as it was 60 years ago. It is true for dairy, beef, swine or sheep production.

"The day is coming when dairymen will no more think of keeping cows without keeping records than a banker will think of loaning money and trusting his memory and luck to collect interest. A dairyman will be surprised as to how good his cows are, will take better care of them, cows with records will be worth more, good calves from good cows will be worth more, and without records, we can't make much improvement. Testing tells which cows make profits."

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Hot and cold water pipes may be insulated to reduce heat loss, heat gain or surface condensation. Flexible plastic insulations are available in various thicknesses and can be easily installed.

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Smoke detectors should always be installed in homes where woodstoves are used. Batteries should be replaced annually.

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The Appomattox Cattlemen's Association will meet Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 p.m. for a dinner meeting at the Country Fare. The program will feature four producers discussing: "Management Ideas that Work for Me."

Call 352-8244 by noon January 13 if you plan to attend.

Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK SWEET
Extension Agent

4-H Share-the-Fun programs will be getting underway at Appomattox Elementary School on Monday, January 25, and will be continuing through Monday, February 1. The final Share-the-Fun Show will be Saturday evening, February 13, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the ACHS Auditorium. The public is invited to attend the Share-the-Fun Show. American Federal Savings & Loan will provide sponsorship for this year's Share-the-Fun program.

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4-H members will be able to order bicolor lespedeza plants in groups of 25. These plants will be used to establish a permanent planting of an excellent food plant for wildlife. Bicolor lespedeza is a perennial that provides an abundance of seed for game birds and song birds. Parents' approval will be required for the 4-H members to order the seedlings.

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A big thanks to J. E. Sears and Company for their recent contribution to Holiday Lake 4-H Center.

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A large number of 4-H families have ordered strawberry plants through the special 4-H program. Orders must be in by January 20. The strawberry plants will be delivered in early March.

The 4-H Soils Judging team began practicing this week. Other judging teams will be getting underway during the next several weeks. Members who have indicated an interest in judging programs will be notified when practice sessions will be held.

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The Annual 4-H Awards Banquet will be next Monday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of ACHS. Over 50 4-H'ers have been invited to receive awards.

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We had the opportunity to talk with Cornell "Brick" Goldman during the Christmas season. Brick, who used to work with 4-H programs in Appomattox County, now lives in Michigan. He is employed by Ciba-Geigy Corporation.

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4-H'ers will want to welcome Mrs. Ocie Mack to Extension in Appomattox. Mrs. Mack has nearly 20 years of experience in Extension work. She will be responsible for working with both 4-H programs and adult programs in Appomattox County.

How to get along with people

By SHIRLEY W. WALTON
Extension Agent

Dr. Jane Janey, Extension Homemakers Advisor for the State of Virginia, shared recently with us some excellent information. Dr. Janey received permission from Oklahoma State University to share this with us. I thought you would enjoy this as we are at the beginning of a new year. I found the suggestions to be most helpful and ones that we can easily practice in our daily interactions with people.

These suggestions are:

1. Keep skid chains on your tongue: Always say less than you think. Cultivate a low persuasive voice. How you say it often counts more than what you say.

2. Make promises sparingly and keep them faithfully no matter what it cost you.

3. Never let an opportunity pass to say a kind and encouraging thing to or about somebody. Praise good work done regardless of who did it. If criticism is needed, criticize carefully, never spitefully.

4. Be interested in others, interested in their pursuits, their welfare, their homes and families. Make merry with those who rejoice, with those who weep mourn. Let everyone you meet, however humble, feel that you regard him as one of importance.

5. Be careful. Keep the corners of your mouth turned up. Hide your pain, worries and disappointments under a smile. Laugh at good stories and learn to tell them.

6. Preserve an open mind on all debatable questions. Discuss, but do not argue. It is a mark of superior minds to disagree and yet be friendly.

7. Let your virtues, if you have any, speak for themselves, and refuse to talk of another's vices. Discourage gossip. Make it a rule to say nothing of another unless it is something good.

8. Be careful of another's feelings. Wit and humor at the other fellow's expense are rarely worth the effort and may hurt where least expected.

9. Pay no attention to ill natured remarks about you. Simply live that nobody would believe them. Disordered nerves and a bad digestion are a common cause of back-biting.

10. Don't be too anxious about your dues. Do your work, be patient and keep your disposition sweet. Forget self and you will be rewarded.

Many thanks to Dr. Janey and the Oklahoma State University Community Education Update for this excellent material.

If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call us at 352-8244 or you may write us at P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you.

Have a good week!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Katie's Pretzel Salad

Step 1
1-¾ cups thin pretzels, broken finely
3 tablespoons sugar
1½ sticks margarine
Cream margarine and sugar. Add pretzels and spread on bottom of dish. Bake at 325° for 10 minutes. Let cool completely. (9 x 13) glass dish).

Step 2
1 pkg. 8-oz. cream cheese
1 cup sugar
1 container 8-oz. prepared whipped topping
Cream cheese and sugar thoroughly. Add whipped topping and spread on cooled crust mixture.

Step 3
1 large (6-oz.) pkg. strawberry gelatin
2 cups boiling water
1 quart strawberries frozen
Mix gelatin with 2 cups boiling water. Add frozen strawberries to mixture. Stir thoroughly. When this mixture begins to congeal, place on top of the cheese topping mixture.

Many thanks to Katie Martin for sharing this delicious and unusual salad with us.

Dr. Donald Johnson guest speaker

The Rev. Dr. Donald Johnson and Gospel Chorus of Court Street Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va. will be the guest for installation service at 3:00 p.m. Sunday at Peaceful Grove Baptist Church, Conecord, Va.

Report 1981 acreages by February 5, 1982

By TOM CONRAD
Report your 1981 acreages by February 5, 1982 - The new farm bill has been enacted into law and it provides that farm bases be established for wheat, corn, grain-sorghum, oats and barley.

In order to establish the bases for the above crops, a 1981 acreage report is required for wheat, barley, grain sorghum and corn. As far as oats are concerned, producers will need to report planted acreage for both 1980 and 1981 regardless of the use made of the crop.

These acreage reports must be made by February 5, 1982. If you grew any of the above crops in the mentioned year or years it is essential that they be reported in order to be eligible for program benefits for the next few years under the wheat and feed grain program.

Reports for 1981 planted acreage of wheat, corn, grain sorghum, and barley will be considered late filed and before they can be accepted by the County Committee the producer must pay the cost for the determination of acreage and provide documented evidence of the crop. Documented evidence includes such items as sales receipts, seed receipts, receipts for cleaning, treating, etc. of seed planted on farm, cancelled check for custom harvesting; signed statement from at least 2 reliable persons that have knowledge of the crop.

If you grew oats in 1980 and/or 1981, an acreage determination will not need to be made therefore no cost incurred for reporting oats.

Maryland tobacco produced in Virginia Under the new farm bill, law requires that Maryland tobacco produced in Virginia shall be considered the quota kind of tobacco produced in the state having the highest price support under the Agricultural Act of 1949.

The law further provides for the exemption of Maryland tobacco when produced on a farm in Virginia that had Maryland tobacco quota established when marketing quotas for this kind were last in effect (1965).

January 1982 loan interest rates The interest rate on outstanding 1981 crop commodity and facility loans approved and disbursed on or after April 1, 1981 and before January 1, 1982 is reduced from 14.5 percent to 12.25 percent per annum on January 1, 1982, subject to adjustment each succeeding January 1.

Loans approved and disbursed prior to April 1, 1981 will hold the same interest rate for the duration of the loan.

All loans disbursed during January will have a 12.25 percent interest rate through December 31, 1982.

Loans disbursed in the coming months may have a different interest rate, but what ever the rate is, it will remain through December 31, 1982.

New Grower Allotments Applications for new grower tobacco allotments will be taken at the county office until February 15. Certain requirements must be met before the allotment or quota can be recommended. Interested producers should contact the office for more information.

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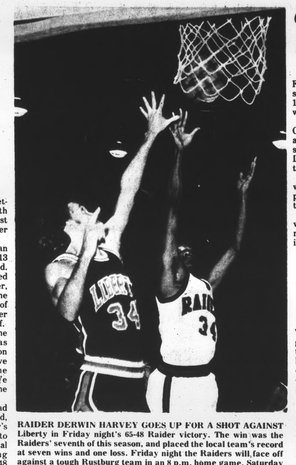
Raiders defeat Liberty for seventh victory



RAIDER DERWIN HARVEY GOES UP FOR A SHOT AGAINST Liberty in Friday night's 65-48 Raider victory. The win was the Raiders' seventh of this season, and placed the local team's record at seven wins and one loss. Friday night the Raiders will face off against a tough Rustburg team in an 8 p.m. home game. Saturday night the Raiders will play at home again, in an 8 p.m. contest with Amherst. Next Tuesday, the Raiders will face another tough opponent, Gretna, who the Raiders defeated in the opening game of their season. (Photo by Mike Williams)

The Raider varsity basketball team scored its seventh victory of this season last Friday, a 65-48 win over Liberty.

The Raiders jumped into an early lead, which stood at 18-13 when the first quarter ended. The Raiders and Liberty played even in the second quarter, scoring 12 points each, and the score stood at 30-25, favor of Appomattox, as the buzzer sounded ending the first half.

"I was worried about the layoff over the Christmas holidays, Coach Coty Dickerson said after the game. "But we worked hard during the holidays, and it paid off. We started warming up as the game wore on."

The Raiders pulled ahead further in the third period, scoring 18 points to Liberty's 11. Appomattox continued to grow stronger in the final period of play, outscoring Liberty 19-12 to cap the 65-48 win.

The win puts the Raiders' record at 6-1 in the Seminole District, 7-1 overall. Liberty's record is 5-3 overall, 3-3 in the district.

Rick Caldwell, Kim Humbles, and Ron Carter all scored in double figures for the Raiders, with 16, 15 and 10 points, respectively. Other Raiders contributing points to the winning effort included Norman Turner (eight points), Jeff Miller (four points), Dennis Fleshman (seven points), Richard Guill (two points), Bobby Carter (two points), and Derwin Harvey (one point).

The Raiders had 26 field goals, and went 13 for 24 from the foul line. Liberty had 11 field goals, and went six for 16 at the foul line.

"Our bench did a good job," said Coach Dickerson after the game. "Everyone who came in did a good job for us. Dickerson pointed out that one thing the Raiders will need down the stretch this season is depth, and, according to the performances of those players who subbed for the starters Friday, Appomattox has just that.

"Our total team effort has been excellent all season," the coach commented. "We don't have any one superstar...we don't have anyone in the district's top five scoring figures, but we do have two players who are averaging in double figures, and a couple more averaging just beneath that," the coach commented.

Dickerson noted that the toughest part of the Raiders' season is coming up. "We play Rustburg Friday night, and that's always a tough game," the coach said. Saturday night the Raiders face off against Amherst, and then next Tuesday, the Raiders will play powerful Gretna at Gretna.

"We will continue to work hard," the coach continued. "We have been working hard on defense... we think defense wins ball games. But our total team effort has been an important as anything this season," the coach continued. "And we'll keep working on that."

Friday's game against Rustburg will begin at the Appomattox gym at 8 p.m. Saturday's game against Amherst will also be at home at 8 p.m. Tuesday the Raiders travel to Gretna for an 8 p.m. contest.

We regret the error.

Farm machinery class set

The farm machinery repair class at the Appomattox Middle School will start Tuesday night January 19. Class will meet each Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 - 10:00. It is anticipated that the class will operate for sixteen weeks. A fee of $5.00 will be charged for each participant.

The class in farm machinery repair is designed to serve those persons who wish to repair on construct items for the farm or personal use. Mr. Glem H. O'Brien will serve as a lay instructor and Mr. Arthur Wiggins, instructor of agricultural education at the Appomattox Middle School, will be in charge of the class.

Ag. teachers to meet in Appomattox next week

Approximately eighty instructors of agricultural education in Southside Virginia are expected to attend a conference in the Appomattox County High School, Tuesday, January 19, 1982.

B. K. Waddell, instructor of agricultural education in the host school, and president of the 17-county group, will preside at the afternoon-evening conference which will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Among those scheduled to appear on the program are J. P. Coates, Jr., William Campbell Middle School; G. W. Thomas, Randolph-Henry High School; G. E. Nolen, Blairs Junior High School; and H. A. Morris, Cumberland High School.

Others appearing on the program are Richard Jones, Appomattox, State FFA Sentinel, and Scott Watson, Gallatin, Missouri, National FFA Vice President.

Concord benefit set

The Concord Little League Football Association will sponsor a benefit contest, in which a 19-inch Quasar color television will be given away.

The television can be seen at Carson's store in Concord, according to Gary Compton, spokesman for the Concord Little League Football Association.

Compton says that the winner of the television will be picked at the Feb. 23 meeting of the Concord P'TA.

Proceeds from the contest will be used to raise money for new football uniforms, according to Compton.

Forest conservation is topic

Knapp addresses club

Karen Knapp, forester for Westvaco Corporation, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Appomattox Woman's Club last Saturday. Her talk on the conservation of forest resources as followed a luncheon at the John Mosby Inn.

Ms. Knapp pointed out that the demand for paper and wood products in the United Sates is expected to double by the year 2020. Meanwhile the number of acres of commercial forest land is decreasing by approximately 800,000 acres per year. "The challenge is to make less land produce more wood," she observed.

Private industry is doing its best to stretch the resource by increasing protection from fire, insects and disease; by developing genetically superior "super trees"; by increasing the wood cut per acre by utilization technology; and by using sawdust and other "waste" materials to make paper. However, industrial forestland comprises only 14% of the nation's commercial forests. The greatest potential for increased production is on the 58% of commerical forest land owned by private owners such as farmers and businessmen. Help is available for these landowners through federal agencies and the Virginia Division of Forestry. In addition Westvaco offers help through their Cooperative Forest Management program and their Matching Seedling program.

The remaining 28% of commercial forest land is owned by the federal and state governments. "Every citizen should take an interest in the management of our state and federal forests. Only through wise management will we be able to meet the future demand for wood as well as other values such as recreation and wildlife....there's more to forestry than just trees".

Shotgun story corrected

In last week's issue of the **Times-Virginian**, it was incorrectly reported that a contest in which a shotgun was offered as a prize was held to help pay for legal expenses incurred in the Pumpkin School closing controversy.

The proceeds from the contest will go to defray advertising costs incurred in preparing for a referendum which changed the way in which school board members are chosen, according to a spokesman from the Concerned Citizens of Appomattox County, which sponsored the contest.

We regret the error.

Mt. Airy News

The Lord is my shepard I shall not want. Psalm 23:1.

The installation service for the officers of the church and its organizations will be held on Sunday, January 17 at 3:00 p.m. Plan now to attend.

The Junior Choir will have rehearsal on Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

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Basketball registration planned

A second Appomattox County Youth Association basketball sign-up will be held this Saturday, Jan. 16, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Appomattox Middle School.

This is for boys and girls ages eight through 13.

All persons interested in coaching or refereeing are asked to attend the sign-up and practice session, as well.

Cost for the sign-up session is $5 per athlete.

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